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We write by way of follow up to an October 28, 2022, letter requesting that the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division assign election monitors to Harris County in an effort to guarantee the integrity of our elections, the principal pilar of our democracy. We now reiterate our ask with increased concern.

Last week, our constituency started to receive inflammatory and divisive election mailers with racially charged insinuations.

The undersigned have the great honor of representing an incredibly diverse constituency. It is shameful and deeply concerning to know that race is being used to sow division and disdain amongst our neighbors, families, and friends. In a community where Latinos and African Americans are the two largest minority groups, the use of these shameful and racially motivated tactics cannot stand unaddressed.

That is why we ask with a heightened sense of urgency, the assignment of election monitors to Harris County. Furthermore, we ask for an investigation into the mailing of these hateful and racist mailers deceptively masked as "election information" for potential violations of federal law. We also urge the Department to step up its efforts to combat election-related misinformation, disinformation, and malinformation targeted particularly at communities of color, including the above referenced mailer.

Sincerely,

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